By: Campbell S.J.R. No. 60

1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

- 2 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the governing
- 3 body of a political subdivision to adopt a local option exemption
- 4 from ad valorem taxation of a portion, expressed as a dollar amount,
- 5 of the market value of real property of a business that employs
- 6 honorably discharged veterans.
- 7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 8 SECTION 1. Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is amended by
- 9 adding Section 1-s to read as follows:
- Sec. 1-s. The governing body of a political subdivision may
- 11 exempt from ad valorem taxation a portion, expressed as a dollar
- 12 amount, of the market value of real property that a person owns and
- 13 uses to operate a business that employs one or more honorably
- 14 discharged veterans of the armed services of the United States. The
- 15 amount of the exemption authorized by this section may not exceed
- 16 \$15,000 of the market value of the property for each honorably
- 17 discharged veteran employed by the business. The legislature by
- 18 general law may provide additional eligibility requirements for the
- 19 exemption.
- 20 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
- 21 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 3, 2015.
- 22 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
- 23 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the
- 24 governing body of a political subdivision to adopt a local option

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